



Raising
Illinois

- *Do you know firsthand some of the challenges facing infants and toddlers?*
- *Are you looking to make a difference in the lives of Illinois' little ones?*
- *Do you have volunteer experience advocating for early childhood issues or making change at your child's school or in your community?*

WHO ARE WE?

Raising Illinois is a diverse group of individuals and organizations across Illinois committed to supporting our youngest generation by ensuring families can access high-quality health care, engage in quality learning experiences and establish economic security. Click [here](#) for more information.

WHAT ARE WE LOOKING FOR?

Twelve parents from across Illinois who would like to:

- Develop their leadership
- Learn about early childhood policies
- Share their ideas and experiences about early childhood issues as one of two parent/family representatives to one of the following Policy Working Groups (Cross Systems, Early Intervention, Family and Center Childcare, Family Economic Security, Home Visiting, Perinatal Supports)
- Meet with a group of other parents to learn from and support each other

HOW CAN YOU JOIN?

You must meet the following requirements:

- Live in Illinois
- Be a parent, guardian or involved family member of a child/children 0-12 years old
- Have volunteer experience advocating for early childhood issues, making community change or doing policy work
- Participate in trainings and meetings and present ideas and reports
- Fill out an [electronic form](#) or paper application

Stipends and other supports will be provided.

Application deadline is **November 3, 2021**

Contact Jesse Rojo at jrojo@cofionline.org for more information or an application.

